

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Tao Wu *et al.*

Application No.: 10/776,690

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Art Unit: 2882

For: TOMOSYNTHESIS IMAGING SYSTEM AND
METHOD

Examiner: Chic Cheng G. Kao

DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.132

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

I, Tao Wu, a citizen of the People's Republic of China, residing at 793-10 Federal Rd
declare as follows: Brookfield, CT 06804

1. I am a co-inventor of the invention disclosed in the above-referenced pending United States Patent Application No. 10/776,690 entitled "Tomosynthesis Imaging System and Method," filed on February 11, 2004.
2. I have reviewed a final Office Action issued on August 8, 2007 in this application, and I understand that the Office Action rejects claims 1-34 pending in the application as being anticipated by a thesis entitled "Three-Dimensional Mammography Reconstruction Using Low-Dose Projection Images," that I authored under the supervision of Professor Walter Phillips, one of the other co-inventors of the above-referenced patent application.
3. I declare that at the time the above-referenced application was prepared and drafted, I and my co-inventors, with the assistance of counsel, investigated the contributions of each person listed as an inventor on the application and concluded that each person is properly named

as having made a significant contribution to the conception of the claimed subject matter of the application.

4. I further declare that the above-referenced thesis expressly acknowledges my co-inventors as contributors and that the thesis was published jointly by me and the other following co-inventors listed in the above application: Alex Stewart, Martin Stanton, Walter Phillips, Daniel B. Kopans, and Richard Moore.

5. I further declare that any subject matter in the above-referenced thesis, to the extent that it discloses the invention claimed in the above-referenced patent application, was invented jointly by me and the other following co-inventors listed in the above-referenced application: Alex Stewart, Martin Stanton, Walter Phillips, Daniel B. Kopans, and Richard Moore.

6. I further declare that all statements made herein of my knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with knowledge that willful false statements are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under § 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

10/10/2007

Date:

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